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INCREASED HOUSING FACILITIES FOR CHINESE WORKERS

20,000 HOUSING UNITS FOR SHANGHAI WORKERS -- Shanghai, Hsin-wen Jih-pao, 8 Sep 52

The Shanghai Municipal People's Government is planning to complete the construction of 20,000 housing units for 100,000 workers by the spring or summer of next year. These workers housing units are to be constructed in nine different locations in the industrial areas of east, west, and south Shanghai. They will cover a total area of over 4,000 mou [6 mou equal one acre].

Roads built in these developments will total 145 kilometers in length. Between every 100 or 200 units there will be an open space of 4 or 5 mou to be used as children's playgrounds. A group of 5,000 or 6,000 units will be considered as a village, and in the middle of each village there will be a health center, nursery, cooperative, bank, post office, etc. Schools will be located so that children will not have to walk more than 10 minutes to reach them. Stores, hot water shops, food stands, a cultural palace, an athletic field, and a motion-picture theater are to be built in convenient locations.

Work on these housing units was begun on 15 August by 13,000 men.

NEW DWELLINGS FOR COAL WORKERS AND FAMILIES -- China Pictorial, No 6, Jun 51

Last year new dwellings with 36,000 square meters of floor space were built for workers and their families by the Huainan Colliery in North Anhwei.

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